AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace line 26 on page 7 through line 5 on page 8 with the following paragraph that has been rewritten in amendment format.

Pre-pit data is stored in the data and ~~Lead-Out~~Lead-In areas in the same manner as in a general CD-ROM or DVD-ROM. In the BD-ROM, data is recorded in the form of straight pre-pits associated with HFM grooves in the Lead-In area, such that the same tracking servo operation can be successively performed over the whole area of a single BD-ROM. An associated detailed description will hereinafter be given.

Please replace line 7 through line 12 on page 9 with the following paragraph that has been rewritten in amendment format.

In more detail, provided that a data sequence having a predetermined value "~~01~~100" is recorded in the Lead-In area, data 2Tm, 7Ts, 2Tm, and 7Ts is recorded in the high-level period "18T", data 7Tm, 2Ts, 7Tm, and 2Ts is recorded in the low-level period "18T", and data 2Tm, 7Ts, 2Tm, 7Ts, 2Tm, 7Ts, 2Tm, and 7Ts is then recorded in the high-level period "36T", as shown in Fig. 8.